Year	Percentage
1988	6.58
1989	5.00
1990	4.18

(b) The functioning of Sainik Schools is reviewed regularly. Some of the important steps taken during the last four years are :—

(i) Improvement in the terms and conditions of service of the Sainik School employees to attract better talent.

(ii) Special Coaching for the new entrants.

(iii) Implementation of the important recommendations of the Academic Study Group.

(iv) Provision of special coaching for the students taking the Entrance tests.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

WIDENING OF NATIONAL HIGHWAY NO. 47

1459. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the total amount spent for the widening of the National Highway No. 47 and the progress made so far; and

(b) the time by which the work is likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) and (b) National Highway No. 47, lying partly in Tamil Nadu and partly in Kerala, is already 2 lane in its entire length. Further, widening to four lane is proposed from Alwaye to Vytilla (16 km) and Aroor to Shertallai (21 km) in Kerala under Asian Development Bank assistance. Construction has not yet started as land is still to be acquired. It is too early to indicate time of completion of the project.

LOANS FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES

1460. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA :
SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to take new loans from foreign countries;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the terms and conditions to be fulfilled ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Negotiations with foreign countries for loans is a continuous process. The details, terms and conditions of such loans are known after the agreements are finalised.

SETTING UP OF A BENCH OF A.P. HIGH COURT AT GUNTUR

1461. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO : Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a persistent demand for setting up a bench of Andhra Pradesh High Court at Guntur;

(b) if so, the decision taken in the matter;

(c) the time by which this bench is likely to be set up; and

(d) if no decision has been taken so far, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM) : (a) Representations seeking establishment of Benches of Andhra Pradesh High Court at Guntur, Vijayawada and Visakhapatnam have been received.